

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

NOVO NORDISK A/S,

Plaintiff and Counterdefendant,

v.

AVENTIS PHARMACEUTICALS INC,

Defendants and Counterplaintiffs, and

SANOFI-AVENTIS, AVENTIS
PHARMA DEUTSCHLAND GMBH, and
AVENTIS PHARMA AG

Defendants.

C.A. No. 05-00645 SLR

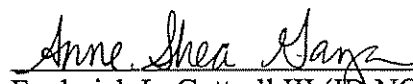
NOTICE OF DISMISSAL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that plaintiff Novo Nordisk A/S, by and through its undersigned attorneys and pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(a)(1)(i), hereby voluntarily dismisses the Defendant Aventis Pharma AG without prejudice. Each party to the action will bear its own costs and attorneys' fees.

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